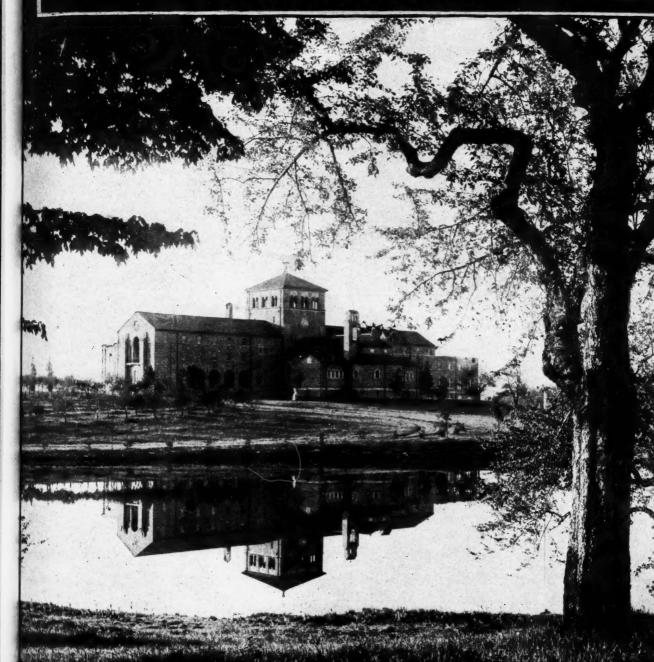
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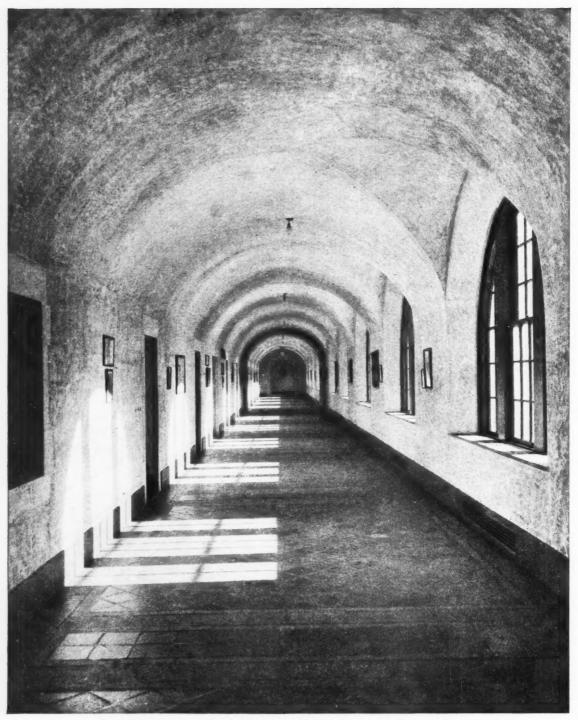
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THE FIRST-FLOOR CORRIDOR OF OUR MAJOR SEMINARY, WHEN CLASSES ARE IN SESSION

The white walls of this sunlit hallway are hung with pictures recalling the chief events of Mary-knoll's brief history, and between classes the "old-timers" may be seen expounding their treasures of Maryknoll lore to newcomers



THE FIELD AFAR

SEPTEMBER, 1930



OUR STUDENTS AND OTHERS AT THE HOME KNOLL



NEW scholastic year opens this month. Gradually, our student body increases, and this is good, because the call for helpers on the missions is urgent and insistent.

Fall ordinations will give us a number of new deacons, and one of the group, the Rev. Edward McGurkin, destined for special work in Rome, will receive the Sacred Order of Priesthood before leaving. He is a native of Hartford, Connecticut, and made his preliminary studies at St. Thomas College in that city.

The Benjamin among our priests will be ordained in the Seminary Chapel at Maryknoll, by the Rt. Rev. John J. Dunn, D.D., Auxiliary of New York.

THEY came one Sunday with the grown-ups, three well-behaved little Japanese people, who became much interested in Our Blessed Lady's statue on Rosary House lawn.

A WELL-CONTESTED game of baseball was in progress on the Maryknoll diamond.

The Vénard boys-man sizehad come to play their elder brothers at the Major Seminary, and, incidentally, the youngsters punished their seniors very prettily.

In the course of the game, a bystander remarked that some of the Vénard boys were in uniform, and that the uniform closely resembled that of the Red Sox, the Boston professionals

"Resembles it!" said his companion, "why, those are Red Sex uniform cast-offs, sent to the Vé-



OUR LADY OF MARYKNOLL SMILES ON VISITORS FROM JAPAN

nard boys by the President of that team."

That Stringless Gift-

THE "Stringless Gift" is an old cry, of which our Treasurer never tires.

As our needs—and pleas—multiply in variety, and as the number missioners increases, our friends often find themselves embarrassed to choose.

Then, quite naturally and sensibly, they give the stringless kind, leaving their offering to be dis-

THE Superior General of Maryknoll, Father Walsh, sent copy for this issue from the Keller Hospital in Scranton, Pa., where, thanks to excellent care, he was rapidly recovering from injuries sustained in an automobile acci-

Father General wishes to express to a multitude of good friends his grateful appreciation for their prayers and messages of sympathy.

posed of as the Maryknoll Council decides.

Summer Visitors-

SUMMER may be a lonely season in some colleges and seminaries, but at Maryknoll there are few days that do not bring individual visitors, and many days when they come in groups-large or small.

Bus-loads of Circlers arrive, and make themselves at home on those sections of the compound to which they have access. They are escorted to the Seminary, where they may see the chapel and hear a conference from one of the priests, and, incidentally, where they may get a super-fine view of the great Hudson River.

Circlers are good friends, thoughtful and persevering, especially when their outlook embraces

the work at large.

Our Compound-

EAVING our grounds one day, a lady, who lives much in Europe, expressed the hope that we would not destroy their natural

We have followed her advice. Indeed, we could hardly do otherwise, with the limited help at our disposal, and all kinds of work to be carried through. And we are glad now of the warning, because, by contrast with over-refined and formal gardens, we like our Maryknoll compound.

Of course, we trim it occasionally, just as we do with our scanty locks, and, from time to time, we plant or transplant a young tree, some shrubbery, or even flowers, if we happen to be given some

seeds.

Be that as it may, thanks to our students and Auxiliary Brothers, Maryknoll has improved its appearance considerably, and looks respectable-as you can see for yourself, if you happen to come

A Privilege-

THERE are Student Memorial Rooms in our Seminary yet left for benefactors, but some day this announcement will no longer appear.

We look upon such a Memorial as a privilege for one who can spare five hundred dollars to perpetuate his name-or the name of some loved one-under the eyes of successive generations of aspirant missioners.

A Noteworthy Snapshot-

W/E try to record (some in the camera) many who come and go at Maryknoll. We have missed opportunities to preserve worthwhile photographs and autographs, but one which we did not miss appears on this page.

The picture was taken at Maryknoll six years ago, shortly before a band of Passionist Fathers

sailed for China.

One of the Passionist visitors of 1924, Father Godfrey Holbein, of Baltimore, Md., was slain by Chinese bandits in April of last year, and his mutilated body lies among the people to save whom he gave his young life.

ONE SPIRIT

Your particular friend among the Maryknoll missioners may be assigned to Korea or Manchuria. But the difficulties he will encounter language, climate, paganism-will be substantially those of his brothers in other missions. And the spirit with which he conquers his difficulties will be the same. For a thorough understanding of Maryknoll missioners anywhere, read MARYKNOLL MISSION LETTERS (See page 236)

The other, the Rt. Rev. Cuthbert O'Gara, a native of Ottawa, Canada, is the recently appointed head of the Passionist Shenchow Mission in Hunan Province, China. We wish him a long and fruitful ministry in his difficult post, and pray that a measure of peace may soon come to his warridden and bandit-harrassed flock.

Our Buick-

ONE of our cars (sic) that is still alive and running glories in the name of Buick. It bears no license, because it never leaves the compound.

Strange to say, although it was bought from an Italian junk dealer for the princely sum of two dollars and fifty cents, and has been with us for months, it keeps moving whenever it has gas, and is started.

That it makes itself heard, goes without saying. It rattles cheerfully as it runs from house to house, gathering all that is useless and bearing it to the welcome

It rattles the tins within it, it rattles the driver, it rattles professors, whose precious words it oc-

casionally drowns.

But remember its cost-two dollars and fifty cents-and its months of service. These are the reflections that reconcile us to the noise of our Buick.

Lest We Forget-

THERE are days when we become reminiscent, and even self-reproachful. We had such a day recently, when we began to clean house (while looking for something that had been mislaid). Whichever way we turned, our eyes rested on gifts from friends, in the chapel, classrooms, and recreation halls-tables, organs, pianos, hangings, pictures, books, and what not.

"Did you ever have to buy new furniture for Maryknoll?" a visitor, who accompanied us, asked. And we answered, "Rarely, and never without a sigh that we had paid with money needed else-

where."

Most of what we have along this line has drifted in from one quarter or another. At one period, in fact, gifts in kind came so steadily that we have always feared lest we failed to acknowledge. And, just here, let us say to any reader who has waited for our word of thanks that our reputation for saying "thank you" is not too bad, and, if we have failed, we ask forgiveness, while assuring our friends of eternal gratitude.

A NOTEWORTHY SNAPSHOT, TAKEN SIX YEARS AGO THIS MONTH

With the Maryknoll Superior, on the right, is Fr. Cuthbert O'Gara, C.P., the present Superior of the Passionist Mission in China; on the left is Fr. Godfrey Holbein, C.P., who was slain last year by Chinese bandits

A Waiting List-

SOME one asks if Maryknoll has a waiting list.

The reference was to personnel. and we promptly answered that

there is not too long a line of applicants at our front door. As soon as one knocks, we let him into the hallway and talk over things with him.

We have, however, another sort of waiting list.

For years, we have been waiting to get certain things in kind, that were not absolutely necessary, but which should find their place in a Maryknoll Seminary, Major or Preparatory. Here are

FOR THE CHAPELS:

a few:

- —Candlesticks (specially designed).
- -Canopy (metal, for the Vénard Altar).
- -Rugs (for sanctuaries).
 -Statues (special).
- —Pedestals for statues.
- -Stations of the Cross (special).
- —Picture Frames (special).—Metal Communion Plates.
- —Solemn High Vestment Sets.
 —Sacristy Vesting Case (special).
- -Large Crucifix (special).

 -Holy Water Fonts (special).

 Light Fixtures (special)
- —Light Fixtures (special).
 FOR THE SEMINARY AND
 COLLEGES:
- —Some Rugs or Carpet Strips to partially cover the cement floors in living rooms.
- -Chairs (special-simple, solid, not stuffed).
- -Tables and Benches (for refectories).
- —Photographs and Prints (special).
 —Library Books (special).

A la mode 1930-

WHAT the well-dressed missioner will wear! Quite right, Theophilus, clothes do not make the man. Rather it takes man to make the clothes. What mere lady artist, however capable, could ever have achieved the supremely happy combination of comfort and éclat, embodied in the new Mary-knoll cassock!

It is the masterpiece of a venerable Chinese tailor, adapted (no, not adopted) by no less a designer than Bishop Walsh of Kongmoon himself, to such episcopal requirements as a modicum of red tape may fill. With his strong, innate aversion to red tape of any sort, Bishop Walsh has evidently, and with success, joined in that wide



THE RT. REV. JAMES E. WALSH, M.M., VICAR APOSTOLIC OF KONGMOON "Figure A" (see text)

search for the irreducible mini-

Minus the red, behold the new Maryknoll cassock. First of all, it contains the essence of cassock. To this have been added the accidents of Oriental design . . . a straight front and back, minus all

frills; a few side hooks to replace the ancient frontal vertebrae of buttons; and the wide, flowing sleeves, so cool in summer, so handy for parking on nippy days. (See Figure A.) These roomy Oriental sleeves can hold even more than arms and hands, Theophilus, and hence, according to the commentators, the origin of that quaint but significant old text, "Having something up one's sleeve".

Anyhow, with all this talk of nationalism that's been going around, no one can say that the Chinese Catholics will ever have the slightest suspicion that the Maryknoll cassock is a "foreign importation". The evidence of this is incontestible. The dernière mode chinoise has captured our own Orient-loving hearts.

Ordinations-

ORDINATIONS at the Knoll are always an event happily anticipated, and joyously remembered.

They take place as a rule twice a year, once for those preparing to receive Orders leading to the priesthood, and later for the priesthood itself.

The first Orders ever conferred at Maryknoll were in the chapel of the Pro-Seminary, which, though now occupied by the Professed Sisters, will be used again by the Seminary after the Sisters' Mother-House is built.

When the new Seminary was

A REPRESENTATIVE WILL

Is your will representative of your life as a Catholic? If so, it contains the name of some Church activality. The present Holy Father has emphasized the fact that the most vital activity of the Church of Christ is mission work.

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EAST MEETS WEST ON OUR KNOLL

Fr. McDonnell, the zealous Chaplain of the Japanese Catholic Club and Diocesan Director of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith in New York, escorted an interested group of Japanese to our hilltop. Among others who greeted them were Maryknoll Sisters of their own country

roofed, and even before halls and rooms were plastered, or floors tiled, the Ordination Ceremony was transferred to the future Conference Hall, which today, in a finished condition, serves us as a temporary chapel.

Maryknoll will yet have its chapel, please God, but that day may be far away, unless some great benefaction should come.

In the meantime, we are certain that a good prayer will be acceptable to God wherever we kneel, and, while we would like our Divine Guest to be housed in more dignified and artistic surroundings—as expressive of our affection, we are also sure that He is satisfied with the use that we are making of the benefactions which He inspires.

Bishop Dunn, the esteemed Auxiliary of New York, whom Maryknoll looks to for many favors, feeling that he belongs to the Community, usually officiates at our Ordinations. He has, in fact, ordained most of our Maryknoll priests,

The Sisters' Mother-House-

WELL laid are the foundations of the Sisters' Mother-House, across the way from the Maryknoll compound. And, by the time our readers receive this issue of The Field Afar, the walls of a great structure will be rising well above the ground.

The present contract calls only for the shell, roofed; and no doubt in its severely rough condition it can be made habitable. This has happened before at Maryknoll.

If not, the Sisters will wait, redoubling their efforts to reach good hearts, receptive to the generous impulses that come from God in response to the prayers of man.

WHERE? WHY?

Many of the Maryknoll missioners are sailing for China. You, their friends, will be glad to know more of their field and the people among whom they will work. Vivid accounts, inspiring and entertaining, may be found in

MARYKNOLL MISSION LETTERS (See page 236) Why foreign missioners? Are there not plenty of souls to save right here at home? Yes, but there is another reason.

Here in the homeland the Church of Christ is established, and there is some possibility that those outside the Fold will come in contact with it. In mission countries the Church is not yet fully established.

Our Sister Missioners-

KEEN as was the joy which the "Glorious Fourth" brought to thousands of children in our country, we do not believe that it equalled the intensity of happiness which was felt on that day by our Sisters. Nineteen of their number received the longed-for call to labor in fields afar, and the others rejoiced in the privilege of the chosen ones. The mission assignments were as follows: To Hong Kong—

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INTEREST A NEW FRIEND

The "Face" Complex in the Orient

THE most precious apple of the Asiatic's eye is what is called "face", or reputation. It is a sort of exaggerated human respect; a desire to appear at least the equal, if possible the superior of others. To what extent this regard of "face" goes, is almost impossible for us Occidentals to realize.

We are always running up against one or another manifestation of face. It is an obstacle to the missioner's work in various

For instance, if the Protestants have a fine brick church in town, and we have only a Korean mudwalled structure (as is usually the case), it is extremely difficult to interest the pagans in our Faith. By having so poor a church, we are losing face, so the pagans think, and they too would lose face by joining us.

To the lasting credit of many scores of our converts, however, it should be stated that, despite their extreme natural repugnance to loss of face, they have valued the Catholic Faith even more, and have often sacrificed their reputation among their pagan friends by asking for Baptism, and attending church regularly.

Another result of this worship of "face" by the Orientals is that the missioner must be extremely cautious and careful about giving reprimands. Though one of the Christians may have given scandal publicly, he must not be publicly scolded.

For instance: A baptized Catholic marries a pagan girl, without a dispensation, and with a pagan ceremony. Everyone knows about it. Does the pastor, the following Sunday, dare refer to the case as bad example, as scandalous? Never. If he did, the Catholic in question might deliberately stay away from both the Church and the priest for the rest of his life. He would have lost face.

No; in such a case the pastor would probably do no more, directly, than preach a sermon on the Sacrament of Marriage. Then, indirectly, through third parties, he would try to reach the man, and persuade him to have the marriage fixed up.

On a certain occasion, a Catholic woman came to us for medicine for her boy who was sick, as she said, with a stomach ache. We gave her some Castoria. Later on, our assistant catechist informed us, most respectfully, and with scrupulous fidelity to Korean politeness, that the mother, a "fervent Catholic", was so incensed at the failure of our Castoria to cure the stomach ache of her boy, who, by the way, had died, that she had quit the Catholic Church, and had already buried the boy herself. Well, he was a good little boy. We felt incensed ourselves at the mother for not calling in a quali fied doctor, as we had advised, and as she had promised to do. But it doesn't pay to empty any vials of wrath over Oriental heads. It strikes a case-hardened unconcern -"face" again-that refuses to be penetrated.

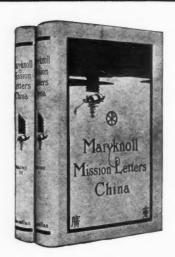
So we gave a talk on calling in the priest for one who is dying, even for good little boys. And we said, what we believed, that this boy had probably gone to heaven, or would go soon; just because he had been such a very, very good little boy. Transcrip-tions must have been carried to the mother, for she removed her own ban of excommunication, and, after waiting a few days, just for a few more ounces of "face", came back to church, dutifully executed several most profound bows to myself, and then went in and took out her beads in front of our Blessed Mother's statue-and stayed there.

Such indirect, roundabout methods are quite opposed to our American inclination to do things immediately and directly. To "get quick results", as we say, the foreign missioner must always be curbing his zeal by making allowance for "face"; he becomes exasperated by it, perhaps, but there is no help for it. By disregarding "face", he would only wound feelings, and be in turn so ignored by the natives that he would have no influence whatever with them.



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From Far and Near

THE Philippines will soon be blessed with a community of contemplatives, the Benedictine Sisters of the Eucharistic King.

At Dayton University, the Brothers of Mary have accepted a young Chinese, Mr. Lika Ying of Hong Kong, for further studies.

A recent dispatch says that the Chinese Government has set aside sixty thousand dollars to advance the mass education movement founded by Y. C. James Yen, a graduate of an American university.

Trappist Fathers in China and elsewhere are praying steadily for the conversion of the Far East.

We recommend to our many friends this important movement, which was never more timely than now. Those interested may write to the Trappist Monastery of Gethsemani, Kentucky.

Priests from St. Patrick's College, Maynooth, in Ireland, have been helping to evangelize Southern Nigeria, West Africa.

These priests are now forming a new Irish foreign mission society, to which His Eminence Cardinal Van Rossum has given the title St. Patrick's Foreign Mission Priests.

Maryknoll Sisters in Hong Kong are preparing to open their first novitiate for native Sisters. This will be at Bishop Walsh's Center, Kongmoon, an over-night ride by steamer from Hong Kong. For the past two years, our Sisters have had with them in Hong Kong a little group of Chinese virgins, who will form the nucleus of this important work.

The home of the late Monsignor Van Antwerp of Detroit was always open to the Maryknollers who passed through Detroit or who, in the interest of our work, had reason to make a prolonged visit.

And no year passed that did not register a generous gift from that large-hearted and God-loving prelate, upon whose soul may Jesus bave mercy.

Fifteen thousand copies of A Modern Martyr—the life and letters of blessed Théophane Vénard—are in circulation today. The latest edition sells for one dollar, bound in cloth, and for sixty cents, in paper covers. Special rates are given to priests and others, who desire to sow vocation seeds. We know of no book that has won so many of our youths to the service of Christ as A Modern Martyr.

Maryknoll rejoices in the tidings that an old friend, Monsignor Sylvester Espelage, O.F.M., Prefect Apostolic of the Franciscan Wuchang Mission in Central China, has been named Bishop by the Holy Father.

This is an honor richly merited. The Bishop-elect went as a missioner to China a quarter of a century ago, when Maryknoll was yet unborn. He is, in every sense of the term, one of the pioneer foreign missioners of the Church in America.

And now that he has grown gray in the service of his Chinese flock, he is called to a great responsibility at a time when China rivals Russia in its claim to the title of the world's most distressful country. May God grant the new Bishop the grace of a long and fruitful ministry in the arduous task lying before him.

A Friendship in Mary

WHEN Father Price, co-founder of Maryknoll, was dying in Hong Kong, he made an unusual request, asking that his heart should be sent on to *Nevers* in France.

Nevers was the convent home of Blessed Bernadette Soubirous, the child of Lourdes to whom, because she had been favored by the Immaculate Conception, Father

Price had an ardent devotion.

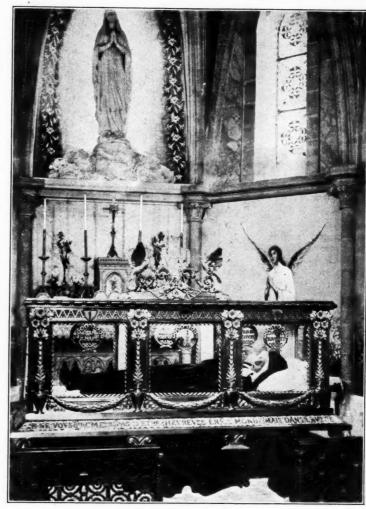
Father Price died in 1919, and war conditions prevented the immediate fulfillment of his wishes. The heart, however, was detached, and buried temporarily with Father Price's body at the Happy Valley Cemetery in Hong Kong.

A few years later, it was disinterred, and brought to France by a French missioner.

The Sisters at Nevers were ready and anxious to receive and

guard this relic of a priest who had been one of their constant benefactors, and with whom they had collaborated in the publication of their Blessed Companion's life.

Father Price's heart has its place near the precious remains of Bernadette Soubirous. A Maryknoller who visited Nevers last summer was profoundly touched by the warm regard which the good Sisters of Nevers manifest for his beloved confrere.



THE CHAPEL OF BLESSED BERNADETTE SOUBIROUS AT NEVERS, FRANCE

Near the resting place of "little Bernadette" is the heart of Father Price, the co-founder of Maryknoll, who died at Hong Kong eleven years ago this month

PUSH OUR CAUSE



Culled Along the Maryknoll Trail

PEACE IN THE KONGMOON VICARIATE

Yeungkong— (Fr. McDermott)

IT is good to be able to say that we are enjoying peace in Yeungkong. When we read of the troubled conditions in other sections of China, and the dangers that confront our men in Monsignor Ford's Prefecture, we are moved to thank Almighty God for peace here, while we pray for peace elsewhere. Yes, we pray for peace in China, and we are also mindful of the Church in Russia. May the King of Peace soon reign on earth, even as in heaven!

Babies, healthy and hungry babies, are multiplying in our orphanage here. And every new mouth to feed is another worry for the pastor of Yeungkong, Fr. Taggart. The other day, a group of pagans came in from one of the villages to offer us a six-year-old hunchback baby girl. Reason might have prompted the pastor to say, "I cannot afford to take her", but a conquering Faith told the pastor that God would provide. And so, Marie Catherine was baptized yesterday, and formally enrolled in the home for blind girls and cripples.

Of course, the majority of abandoned babies who are baptized here do not live long after Baptism. China, like other countries, must provide its quota for heaven, and so the innocents are taken. In our mission here in the Vicariate of Kongmoon, more than two thousand little ones hurried to heaven in one year. Suffer the little ones to come unto Me.

THE KAYING PREFECTURE **RECORDS PROGRESS**

(Fr. Downs)

SINCE Monsignor Ford's return, a have been definitely assigned as "pastor" of the Kaying mission, or

rather, I should say, the Moi Yen mission, for since this district has two names, we use both in order to distinguish the Prefecture from the local parish. So, when you read of the Kaying Mission, you will understand the reference is to the Prefecture, while Moi Yen stands for the local parish or mission of Kaying. So at last I find myself a "pastor", in care of souls. It

FR. PHILIP TAGGART, M.M., AND BIE FUNG

This yellow daisy is one of the many souls rescued from paganism by the pastor of Yeungkong

is rather a long cry to my curacy at St. Ann's in Erie, Pennsylvania, but then everything comes to him who waits, and I am delighted with my new

I am living alone in the city, in our rented quarters, so you can easily surmise that we would like to have our own chapel. Monsignor Ford has given his permission, but that's all we have so far, and I am afraid that won't buy any materials. My people here are, of course, anxious to have a church, and are willing to raise a little money for the purpose, but I fear what they can collect will not be much. However, we are going to launch forth.

As for the situation in Kaying, at present we are enjoying peace, though, of course, one never knows what's in the air. Next week I start out on my mission visitation, but there are some districts to which I may not go, as it is said that even the soldiers don't dare go there because of the Reds, who now and then seize boats, and take their cargoes. Almost every day the soldiers "nab" suspects, and practically every week sees the execution in Kaying of so-called Reds, so, while there is peace near the city, the outlying districts in many places are far from safe.

No word has been received concerning the Paris foreign missioner, Fr. Waguette, Fr. Murphy's neighbor, who has been taken captive by the Reds. The two German Lutheran ministers are also still being held.

WITH OUR WUCHOW MISSIONERS

Wuchow-

(Fr. Regan)

FR. Meyer suggested that Fr. Dempsey and I should spend Easter with Fr. Flanagan in Wuchow, so we hastily packed our belongings, and boarded a junk that was scheduled to sail at six in the evening for the "City of No Conversions".

As soon as we tried to get to sleep, we realized that human beings were not the only passengers on the crowded junk. Two hundred live pigs were being taken down to Hong Kong. From the noise they made, I was firmly convinced before morning that there were a million pigs. Henceforth, I shall have a particular liking for roast pig.

Diocesan Directors of Mission Aid will gladly forward to the Catholic Foreign Mission Society of America, gifts for the work at home or abroad. When requesting this service, mention Maryknoll as your beneficiary.

The dawn came not a bit too soon, for we were beginning to be desperate, and some of those pigs might have found watery graves if the night had continued much longer.

We got up about six o'clock, washed our hands and face, and ordered breakfast. The Chinese ate first. I have a sneaking suspicion that it was in order to give everyone else a chance to watch us eat. At any rate, when we began to ply our chopsticks, we were surrounded by a crowd of grinning Chinese, watching and hoping that there would be a few mishaps.

I think we disappointed them that morning, for, through our mission trips, we have become quite used to chopsticks, and that morning we handled them like veterans. We succeeded in putting away a very good meal, two bowls of rice apiece, a plate of duck eggs, and a dish of Chinese vegetables. And then we sat back and smoked and chatted with our companions, as well as we could with our limited knowledge of the language.

At about 1:30 P. M. we came in sight of Wuchow, and the customs' men came on board to inspect our baggage. I must confess I experienced a slight feeling of nervousness, for one of the soldiers had a hand grenade dangling from his waist, and he didn't appear to be any too careful. I know if I were carrying a hand grenade, I'd take mighty good care it didn't swing and hit anything.

We were glad to leave the boat, and Fr. Flanagan gave us a royal welcome. He sang a Missa Cantata at Easter, and Fr. Dempsey and I constituted his choir. We had a fine time at the mission, particularly so because it was our first trip into civilization in seven months. We recommend Fr. George as a good host, if any of you wish to see the sights of Wuchow.



MORNING RICE ON A RIVER JUNK

Human beings are by no means the only passengers on this crowded

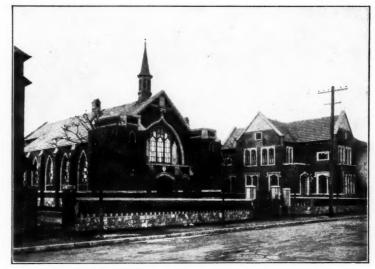
Chinese craft

MANCHURIA, A "GREAT MISSION"

(Fr. O'Donnell)

I AM perfectly satisfied over here. This is a great Mission, and opportunities seem to be opening up in new directions continually. I should say there is work at the present moment—work that should be done for those alrcady Christians—for at least six more missioners.

The Shantung records show that many thousands of Christians left for our section of Manchuria, who are not



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THE MARYKNOLL SISTERS

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on the South Manchuria records. Track of them has been lost while they were in transit. They are out in the hills somewhere, and have to be looked up. Sometime ago, Fr. Sweeney heard of some Christians living in a town called Linkiang, far up the Yalu, about three hundred miles east of Fushun. He made a trip up, and found a Christian Chinese doctor, who had gathered approximately a hundred Christians together. This doctor had not seen a

priest himself in over ten years.

This little village of Eul Pa Tan is certainly nice. It contains about five hundred persons, of whom some three hundred come in for the ceremonies. The French Fathers have trained them well. It may seem strange that they should have done this in the short time they were here—this mission was opened after the Boxer Uprising—but the old Christian families living here have come up from the big town of Ch'a Kou, below Fushun, which mission was founded in 1829.

I spent two weeks in Dairen a while ago. Fr. Tibesar has a very nice mission there, with a brick church, a rectory, and a well-constructed house for the Sisters. The Christians have been looking forward for months to the Sisters' arrival, and their foundation in the large city of Dairen promises important developments.

A KOREAN APOSTLE

Saiho-

(Fr. Booth)

PACK REGINA, together with her entire family, was for many years a member of a Protestant sect. She was living in Shingishu, and, like all her fellow-townsmen, was much impressed when the beautiful new church was built by the scarcely known Catholics. She was curious to see the inside of the Catholic church, and one day joined the throng of Christians who were filing in. It happened to be the hour of Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament. Regina sought out the catechist, and asked for books of instruction. The catechist handed her a prayerbook.

As soon as she reached home, she began to read the prayerbook, and after a while, turning to her daughter, said, "All these years we have believed in vain. The Catholic is the only true religion." She and her daughter began instructions, and after an unusually severe examination, which they passed with flying colors, they were baptized by Monsignor Byrne.

About seventeen years before, Regina had separated from her husband, when he took a second, and, therefore, unlawful wife. The husband was living with his unlawful wife and their children at Chung Kang, a frontier town

three hundred miles north of Shingishu.

The second wife took sick, and the husband sent for Regina to come and nurse her. Forgetting the wrong that had been done her, Regina set out on the long perilous journey, and arrived in time to nurse the sick woman through the few remaining days of her life. Not only did she attend her bodily ills, but, mindful of the more important interests of the soul, she instructed her in the necessary truths of the Catholic religion, and, after baptizing her, witnessed her most edifying death.

Regina herself told me how the poor woman, hitherto totally ignorant of the truths of religion, at the hour of death clasped the crucifix in her hands.

The husband and wife are now reconciled, and Regina mothers the three children as if they were her own. She immediately began to instruct them in Christian doctrine, and in February of this year had the happiness of seeing OUR friends will be glad to learn that the Sacred Congregation of Propaganda has established a separate ecclesiastical division at Wuchow, South China—to be under Maryknoll direction.

This makes our fourth canonically erected sector in the Church's mission field, the other three being Kongmoon (Bishop Walsh's Vicariate); Kaying (Msgr. Ford's Prefecture); and Peng Yang, Korea (Msgr. Morris' Prefecture).

The Prefect Apostolic of the new district will be announced later, as the appointment will also come from Rome. the last one baptized.

Not content with this, she feels it incumbent upon herself to spread the Faith in this remote region, where it had never before been preached. She baptized several dying infants, and in this manner found an opportunity to instruct the parents in Catholic doctrine. A few adults began to prepare, a Catholic community began to take shape.

Upon the first visit of a priest, Fr. Roy Petipren, in the summer of 1928, six were ready for Baptism. During the following months, six more were baptized, and several are now preparing, among these a man who has been a Protestant for over twenty years.

Regina's is an exceptional case, yet, in the great mass of paganism about us, there is much "good ground", waiting for the seed of true doctrine. When it is sown, this ground will bring forth fruit a hundredfold.



PACK REGINA (IN THE CENTER, WITH THE BABY), APOSTLE OF CHRIST IN CHUNG KANG, KOREA This valiant Korean convert is shaping by her zeal a Catholic community in a remote section of the peninsula, where the Faith had never before been preached

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TO THOSE WHO LOVE GOD ALL THINGS WORK TOGETHER FOR GOOD

SEPTEMBER brings two feasts of our Blessed Mother, one of her Nativity, the other of her Holy Name. To no one in the Maryknoll family have these feasts ever meant more than to the revered co-founder of our Society, Father Thomas F. Price, who died in Hong Kong on the Feast of the Holy Name of Mary, 1919.

While we ask a spiritual remembrance of Father Price's anniversary, we ask also those who knew him to communicate to us any interesting information bearing on the subject of his life, a life that is recognized already as one of marked interior communion with God and His saints.

This month, many aspirant apostles will take the first steps in their training at our Preparatory Colleges. Pray that God may give to each the grace of perseverance.

ONE of our missioners in China was saddened and gladdened recently by a cable announcing his father's death.

While our missioner keenly felt the loss, he was rejoiced to learn that his father, up to that time a non-Catholic, had been baptized, and had received the Sacraments shortly before his death. A CABLE from Rome brought us the good news that the Wuchow field has been made a separate ecclesiastical division.

The new Prefecture Apostolic of Wuchow will embrace territory much of which has been covered in recent years by Maryknoll missioners, with Father Meyer acting as Superior, under the direction of the Paris Foreign Vicariate of Nanning.

If you have no boy of your own who can serve God in fields afar, why not aid Maryknoll to train an American apostle for this great calling?

WERE it not for Preparatory Colleges, Maryknoll—1ike other institutes and religious orders—would have to be content with a very small personnel, and with correspondingly meager results.

Vocations have come and will come from high schools and colleges, even occasionally from seminaries, but experience proves that we must look to our own Preparatory Colleges for the great majority of our subjects.

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THE school year that closed last June registered a most encouraging co-operation of students in Catholic schools and colleges with THE FIELD AFAR.

This paper has proved its literary and geographic value, while it has also been recognized as edifying and interesting.

We are grateful for many kind expressions of encouragement; and we hope that, in 1930-31, we shall keep our "old" friends, and make many more new ones, among the Catholic students of our homeland.

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The First Year of Johnny Blank at the Vénard", which appeared in our 1929 midsummer issue, was welcomed with much favorable comment. So we have persuaded Johnny's biographer, who himself was a student at the Vénard not so many years ago,

to tell us more of Johnny's adventures. In this second instalment, which is a feature of the present issue, those interested in Johnny will see him steadily approaching his goal—the day when, as another Christ, he will set out to serve his Master in fields afar.

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IF all the Oriental students who have been educated in Europe and America during the past generation could have come under Catholic influences, the problem in China today would be less difficult than it is.

We will not here multiply reasons for this statement, and we are happy to say that, gradually, the way is being opened for youths from the Orient to have the advantage of a Catholic atmosphere.

Several colleges have expressed their willingness to offer hospitality and education to one and even more Oriental students.

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CONGRATULATIONS to the National Directors of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith on its annual report. The net sum placed at the disposal of the General Council in Rome was \$1,382,263.30.

The allocation of alms is interesting reading, although a little bothersome, since the amounts are given in lire.

Sharing in the accumulated offerings from all countries are sections of Northern and Southern Europe, the Near East, India, Indo-China, China, Siberia, Japan, Korea, Africa, America—North, Central, and South—and Oceania.

There were extraordinary subsidies, special subsidies, and grants for passages.

Many new students are entering our three Preparatory Colleges this year. The cost of their training is a heavy burden, but we shoulder it with the confidence that it will be lightened by friends of the mission cause. A ND how goes the battle in China? we are often asked. We always feel like answering, Give us an easier one.

At this writing, some weeks ahead of publication, we can only say that the house of China is as yet divided against itself, and consequently threatened with a fall. But who knows? Patriotism is still too rare in China, and, with the great mass of the people uninformed and practically inaccessible, one cannot expect much. It is difficult to eradicate a feudal system.

In China, however, there is always hope, because most of her people are industrious and homeloving.

Two hundred and fifty dollars are needed to cover the yearly expenses of a student in one of our Preparatory Colleges.

VERY satisfying has been the work of Maryknoll priests for the Japanese in this country. Few, but good, said the Holy Father, when, at Rome, His Holiness addressed a small group of Maryknoll priests and students. And few, but good are the Japanese converts in this country.

In Los Angeles today, Maryknoll can point to a large and successful grade school for Japanese, to a kindergarten and a home for little ones, and to a sanitarium for the tubercular—all self-support-

In Seattle, a chapel and school are under construction; and back of these is an active group of earnest Japanese, few, but good. And we add the hope which the Holy Father expressed on the occasion alluded to above—that they may become good, and many.

FIDES SERVICE has reported a hope expressed in Rome at the meeting of National Directors of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith that by 1940 the annual offerings would reach ten million dollars.

Every consistent Catholic shares this hope. Every missioner smiles, in anticipation of some further re-



AVE, MARIS STELLA!

Maryknollers invoke daily the Star
of the Sea for the safe guidance of
our latest band of missioners, now
on the Pacific

lief from the never failing money need.

In the meantime—not on hope alone will the missioner be able to live, and cultivate his field. It is still ten years to 1940, and, even if the hope as expressed be realized, there would yet remain twenty million dollars more to be found, before Catholic missioners and mission societies could hear the welcome word: Don't worry any longer about the money end. Push on with your work.

AT the annual meeting of the Superior Council of the Soci-

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ety for the Propagation of the Faith, held last May, in Rome, the Holy Father was especially touched by the report of offerings received from mission countries themselves. The "Pope of the Missions" said:

In the account of your work, there are some particulars that are really divinely beautiful, as, for example, the contribution which the neophytes of the Faith, the catechumens of yesterday, have brought to the mission cause.

In no other way could these children of the Faith better manifest their regard for the gift of faith that has come to them.

How can we express to God our gratitude for the gift of faith, and manifest the esteem in which we hold it, if it be not in endeavoring to spread this gift among ever more numerous souls?

L AUGH at me all you want, is the attitude of the Scotchman—with all the good jobs, and most of the money, I can be most philosophical about it. Your amusement does not worry me on my

pinnacle.

It is a philosophy that might well be adopted by those races that suffer—and suffer is the word—from a fancied inferiority. What a pity that ridicule should ever get under the skin. It can only do so where there is no steadfast conviction of equality, to meet and assay it.

One of our jobs is to persuade all races of men that they are just as good as we are. It is a hard job, since many of them do not seem to believe it. If they did, they would scarcely be so sensitive.

If the world ever succeeds in forcing this conviction of equality on all peoples, there and then will the major cause of the poor old planet's frictions be removed.

A New Maryknoll Prefecture Aps

By Fr. Bernard F. Meyer, M.M., Sup



HE Prefecture Apostolic of Wuchow in Kwangsi Province lies in South China, on the other side of the world, over ten thousand miles from New York. It is entirely within the torrid zone,

and its principal city. Wuchow, is on a line with Havana, Cuba. The Mission is about three hundred miles long by one hundred miles wide; its population is three millions, yet in 1927 there were only two hundred Catholics. This is the reason why mission work in the Wuchow district is real pioneering; though the country is thickly populated, it is spiritually a wilderness. Into this wilderness goes the missioner, to carve out a kingdom for his Master.



Fr. Meyer (center, first row) and some of his missioners



Ah Paat prepares supper at Pingnam

good people who are ready to become Catholics, if only the proper appeal can be made to them. Of our three million people, I doubt if, in 1927, five hundred knew enough about the Church to make them have any interest in her whatever. Our first problem, then, was to make the Church known, but that alone did not suffice. We had also to inspire confidence, and to find a means of overcoming the pagan belief that illluck befalls those who abandon the worship of the gods.

Blazing the Trail-

In 1927 we were two priests, the writer, and Father John E. Ruppert, M.M., of Sioux Falls, South Dakota, We began by making a survey of the existing parish of Pingnam, visiting

Pagan Darkness-

When we began intensive work in the sector, in 1927, there were, as I have said, two hundred Catholics, all of them belonging to the parish of Pingnam. Imagine going from Albany to Buffalo, visiting on the way, Syracuse, Rochester, and other cities, yet seeing only one poor little Catholic church, surrounded by forty families, all farmers, and some of them living forty miles away. It would not seem very encouraging, would it? And yet, during the brief space of time since 1927, we have been able not only to lay the first foundations of an organized Mission, but we have tripled the number of our Christians.

I do not think there are many places in China, if any, where one cannot find



The Pingnam Catholic compound (in the rear)

Apstolic — Wuchow, South China

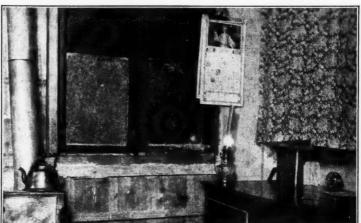
M.M., L. Superior of the Wuchow Mission



The Repository, Holy Thursday, at Pingnam

the Christians, and getting in touch with all that we could find who had ever shown any interest in the Church. There was no record of Catholics elsewhere in the Mission.

Thirty years before, there had been a few catechumens in the district called Jungyun, but later unsettled conditions had cut them off from Pingnam, which was eighty miles away, with mountains between. On a visit which we made to Jungyun, the former catechumens were found to be scattered, but contact was made with another group, and in 1928 fourteen of these were baptized, the first fruits of the future Jungyun parish. Many others began also to show an interest, the new converts acting as zealous propagandists among their relatives and friends.



A missioner's "boudoir" in the Wuchow field



Fr. Meyer partakes of a "baptismal banquet"

The Lay Apostolate-

It is a common missionary experience that the most and the best converts come through the "boosting" of their Faith by the Catholics themselves. The reputation of the missioner, as broadcast by the "bamboo wireless", reaches infinitely larger numbers and carries more conviction than his sermons. The reason is obvious; he is a stranger, a foreigner, and is suspected of having "an ax to grind", but the testimony of friends and neighbors is deemed worthy of credence. So it frequently happens that the missioner himself spends little time among the pagans, but seeks rather to build up a virile body of catechists and people, and finds himself fully occupied with directing and encouraging their efforts and with caring for the

converts that they bring to him.

The people of the Pingnam parish, then, were exhorted to work among their relatives and friends, and to explain to them the advantages of embracing the Faith. This they did with such zeal that, within little more than a year, almost a thousand catechumens were registered. But then another difficulty arose. Our good people had brought us their relatives and friends, but were not able to give them the necessary instruction, either from lack of time or of training. So we had to have catechists. Two were begged from neighboring French missioners; another came up with his wife, also a catechist, from the Maryknoll Vicariate of Kongmoon. The remainder were chosen from among our own Christians, and given a short period of preparatory training, before being sent out to help gather the whitening harvest.

Thirteen Rhode Islands-

The Wuchow Mission is now composed of thirteen districts, each of them larger than the State of Rhode Island. In only one of these, that of Pingnam, is the work well under way. In Jungyun, a beginning has been made. A later survey found a half dozen Catholics in still a third district, that of Paklow. Peter was robbed for Paul's sake, the catechist from Jungyun being sent to Paklow. His labors have been crowned with encouraging success, and Paklow has had its first Baptisms.

But what about the other ten districts, the other ten Rhode Islands? It is comparatively easy to find catechists able to instruct in their religious duties the converts that have been brought in by others, but we have found it difficult to secure a type fitted for the work of opening up new fields. It would seem that the best solution of this problem will lie in the establishment at our Center of a training school for all the catechists of the Mission.

It is not easy to go among strangers and try to convince them, in the face of prejudice, and fear, and anti-foreign hatred, that they should join the Catholic Church. Our catechists are frequently taunted with being "the running dogs of foreign imperialists". The man at Jungyun was accused by some of being an agent of the imperialists, and by others of acting as a tool for the Communists, and a rumor was spread that he mutilated children. Only a rare few combine, together with initiative and keenness, the patience, tact, and persuasiveness necessary for real success in this work.

The Mission Dispensary-

An important adjunct of our work has been the dispensary. Not that we expect many converts to come from it directly, but its example of Christian charity removes prejudice, disarms criticism, and makes friends of many who would otherwise be indifferent. The dispensary of the average missionary priest is very simple, and the remedies he has at hand few, but the good done is incalculable. About ninety per cent of the cases that come to him are the

OUR LATEST

OUR newest Prefecture
Apostolic, the Wuchow
field in South China, is rich
only in the zeal of its missioners and little flock of converts, and in the thousands of
men of goodwill within its
borders who would gladly follow Christ if they but knew
Him.

For the progress of the Church in this difficult Mission, it is essential that a Center be established in the large city of Wuchow itself, on the West River. Any offering, however small, towards the building of this Center, will encourage the Wuchow Maryknoll missioners in their pioneer work for Christ and souls.

common diseases such as malaria, boils, skin eruptions, tuberculosis, dysentery, indigestion, kidney disorders, and rheumatism—to which list may be added, for women, anemia, and for children, worms and sores.

During the recent months of civil turmoil in Kwangsi, our missioners have cared for hundreds of wounded soldiers of both factions. While modern implements of warfare have been widely adopted in present day China, resulting in many more casualties than formerly, very little has been done to provide for the sick and wounded soldiers. The "medical corps" is usually well in the rear, where there is no danger from bullets.

The soldiers have shown themselves grateful for the care received in our dispensary, and not a few have expressed a desire to study the Faith. Our men, on the other hand, like these plucky fighters, many of whom are still in their teens. The "enemies" are singularly devoid of any bitterness, the only reason for their strife being the ambition of greedy generals.

Our Schools-

In the matter of education, we have

been governed by circumstances and present needs, but the aim has been the same as that of any parish school in America, namely, to provide religious instruction first of all.

Our schools are the Chinese version of the old-fashioned one-room affair, taught by a single schoolmaster. Each Catholic village or group is encouraged to establish its own school, for which it takes full responsibility, the Mission merely granting a small annual subsidy.

Religious instruction is given, of course, though the present government regulations require that it be outside of school hours. The teacher acts also as catechist for any adults in the village who require religious instruction, presides at prayers, and preaches.

The Mission-

Another important part of our plan is the Mission, held annually, if possible, or at least as frequently as circumstances permit. It takes place not only in the parish centers, but also out in the different villages. This is necessary, because the majority of our people are too far from the parish churches to come in for the Mission. The Mission and the school are the two means used to "consolidate our gains", as the soldiers say.

We all know how necessary they are in the United States, in China they are doubly so—the Mission to strengthen the faith of the grown-ups, the school to provide proper instruction for the children. Without them, we would be building on sand, and the gains of to-day would be lost tomorrow.

Our Future Center-

The city of Wuchow itself is our largest, and the center of communication for the whole Mission, so we must look forward to establishing there the central direction of the Prefecture. We shall require a house for passing missioners and for retreats, and schools for catechists, both men and women. Sisters, too, will be needed, both those of Maryknoll and of China-land, for many and varied works. So far, Wuchow has been called "The City of No Conversions"; please God it may not continue so.

Our present little combination house and chapel stands at the end of a blind alley, surrounded by high tenements,

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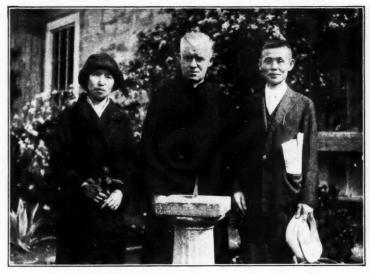
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and Catholics who have come to the city have found it only by following the priest whom they happened to see in the streets. Three Protestant mission organizations have spacious compounds, with schools and churches scattered throughout the city. Is it any wonder that the people have taken it for granted that the day of the Catholic Church is past, as some have not hesitated to say?

Up-country I have frequently met with the objection that the Catholic Church is not worth joining, since it is doing nothing in Wuchow. Catholicism they call "the old Church", out of date; Protestantism is the "new Church", and its schools, hospitals, and great institutions are given as proof that to it has passed the torch of progress and upon it has fallen the mantle of the prophet. Yes, we must build in Wuchow, no matter at the cost of what sacrifice

Maryknolls West of the Alleghenies



IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF THE PADRES AT SAN JUAN BAUTISTA At this old California mission, Maryknollers are carrying on among Japanese the work formerly done by the padres for the Indians. On either side of Fr. Caffrey, M.M., are Mr. and Mrs. Matsuzaki, Catholic Japanese

Our Lady, Queen of Martyrs, in Seattle

OUR readers will be interested to know that the Church and school for Japanese Catholics in Seattle is now nearing completion, and will be ready for occupancy early in September.

Eight standard classrooms will care for the grade school, and a large social hall will shelter the kindergarten tots. The Chapel will seat almost three hundred.

At this present writing, the Father of the Seattle flock is in the East on a begging visit, in an effort to obtain some funds for this very worthy project. The cost of the building, fifty-five thousand dollars, should be met by the Catholics of the Northwest, but it has been impossible to secure more than five thousand dollars there—and most of that was contributed by Japanese.

The history of Maryknoll-in-Seattle is an interesting one. In 1920, a call came to Maryknoll from the Right Rev. Edward J. O'Dea, D.D., the Bishop of Seattle, asking the Society to send some of its members to the Coast city to work among the Japanese. Until that time, non-Catholic sects had been working among the Orientals there for more than thirty years, but no Catholic activity had been started. Maryknoll was unable to spare any of its priests for this work in 1920, but two Maryknoll Sisters journeyed to Seattle, and started a kindergarten for the Japanese children.

Progress was very slow until 1926, when it was at length possible to spare a Maryknoll Father for the Seattle Japanese Mission. That year saw the opening of the first grade grammar school and the beginning of a Sunday Mass for the Japanese, with a sermon in their native tongue. There was then only one Catholic adult among the Japanese of the city.

The development of the work since 1926 has been most encouraging. There are now almost two hundred children in the Mission school, and the average attendance

of Japanese at Sunday Mass is two hundred and fifty.

But we have been handicapped by lack of room. We have been using the former dance hall of the Jewish Young Men's Club for Sunday Mass; we have had our school crowded into five rooms of a little bungalow; and our kindergarten tots, even now, are packed into two rooms in the children's home. We had to expand, to keep up with the number of those who are hearing the voice of Christ sounding for the first time in their hearts. That is why we have had to build.

Some of our readers may ask, "Do the Japanese make good Catholics?" Father Murrett, the Superior of the Maryknoll Mission at Seattle, says:

The faith of these people is what I believe must have been the faith of the first Christians. All of them are apostles.

The Men's Club meets at our house every Wednesday for instructions in the Faith, and its members go out "two by two" like the Apostles of old, to teach in the homes of others. The Women's Club meets at different homes, once a week, for the same purpose. One Japanese woman is so intense in

her desire to convert the world that she even brings her non-Catholic American neighbors to the meetings.

All who have been baptized receive Holy Communion every time they assist at Mass. They seem to have caught the spirit of the Church in this matter, and visitors at Sunday Mass have noted and remarked the fervor so simply manifested by men and women alike.

Recently, the President of the Particular Council of the St. Vincent de Paul Society declared that the Japanese St. Francis Xavier Conference is a light and an example to all the other conferences.

Surely these people are deserving of a Church of their own, where they may have an opportunity to visit our Blessed Lord in the Holy Eucharist. It has been planned to dedicate this church to Our Lady, Queen of Martyrs, thus uniting in the same title a devotion to the Holy Mother of God, and a remembrance of the countless Japanese martyrs who gave their lives for the Faith during the persecutions of three centuries.

The cost of the Chapel is estimated at twenty-five thousand dollars. Those interested may write to Father Murrett, at 1603

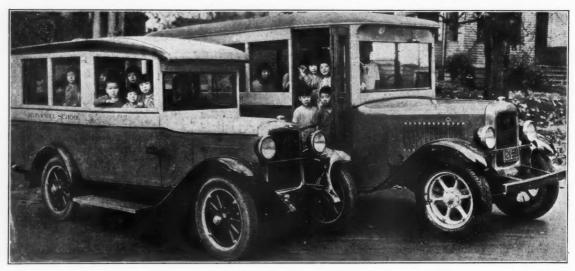
E. Jefferson St., Seattle; or to the Superior-General at Maryknoll.

Los Altos, a Maryknoll Four Year Old

FROTHING and steaming at the mouth of the radiator, a Ford grunted and limped its weary way up the loose gravel road. Fr. Dirckx, peering through the steam-covered windshield, urged the front wheels around the steep curves.

In the back seat were two students from our Vénard Preparatory College in distant Pennsylvania, weighed down with chairs, desks, culinary instruments and what-have-you. Parts outside of parts hung over the mud guards, or were lassoed to the running boards. It was the end of a historical journey, but the beginning of the Maryknoll Junior Seminary at Los Altos.

Six pioneer students took quarters in the concrete shell over-run with workmen, on September 8, 1926. A young man seeking admission to the Maryknoll Brotherhood soon joined the group. The year was eventful. Despite the



WAITING FOR THE MARYKNOLL BROTHER-CHAUFFEURS IN SEATTLE
There are now two hundred children in the Maryknoll Seattle school for Japanese

camp life, the students did very well in their class work at the nearby Archdiocesan Junior Seminary of San Francisco. In their leisure moments, they volunteered to interest themselves at the business end of picks and shovels, in an effort to enhance the adjacent landscape.

God has been extremely good to Maryknoll in California. He has blessed the work by calling a goodly number of splendid young men to His service. The Seminary is still young, yet it has advanced in splendid traditions.

At this writing, in midsummer, plans are being made for an increase of students. It is probable that the scholastic roster for the semesters of 1930-31 will list forty students. This is indeed encouraging, considering that less than half of those who apply each year are accepted.

To set the world on fire with the Holy Ghost, Christ went down to a fisherman's wharf to pick out the poor and the lowly, on whose shoulders He placed the most important task in this world. Christ continues to go into the homes of the poor to pick His ambassadors. It has been our experience that all the students at Los Altos are eager to sacrifice all they have, yet many are poor, so others than their parents must finance their priestly training. This praiseworthy charity is the purpose of the Maryknoll Guild, a group who give a certain sum, of their own choosing, each month.

At the rate of increase God is giving, this Maryknoll Junior Seminary at Los Altos will be filled to capacity in two or three years. We seek primarily not number but quality. Please tell others of this work; it may mean prayers, financial aid, or even a vocation. And, in your own good prayers, ask that God may grant the grace of perseverance to those whom He has chosen and called apart to Los Altos.



MARYKNOLL JUNIOR SEMINARY AT LOS ALTOS

New and "Old" at Cincinnati

SEPTEMBER days are here again, and for Maryknoll-in-Cincinnati they are happy days, bringing with them the return of our pioneers of last year, together with a goodly number of new students, eager for the starting bell which marks their first steps toward the Altar.

The reunion of our veterans of a year, some of whom have not seen one another during the vacation, brought forth recollections of "old" times together, while experiences during the summer were material for animated conversation. Knowing every nook and corner of our little Seminary, they took the new recruits in tow, and initiated them in the intricacies of seminary life.

New and old, we now number about two score, and a happier family would be hard to find. All, of course, miss last year's genial senior student-and incidentally, our man of all work-who packed up his diploma and moved on to the Maryknoll Center, to begin the conquest of philosophy and theol-Though we were sorry to part with him, his advance to the Home Knoll gladdened our hearts with the realization that the "Cincy" Knoll, though only a year old, is already fulfilling its destiny as a feeder for the Major Seminary.

Classes began with their usual vigor on the morrow, and we are now busily engaged in tracking the Latin root to its lair.

Indian summer days give us a chance to keep our bats polished, and the indoor ball on the fly. Brother Henry, veteran pitcher of the Maryknoll Penwipers, is grateful for the increase in our student body, since he can now retire to the tranquillity of the bench, there to cheer on the local Simmones, Ruths, Wilsons, and Heilmanns, in their attempts to knock the cover off the horsehide.

Our local Worlds' Series will soon be played, so keep your eyes "pealed", as *your* local paper will most likely carry the result.

PRAY FOR THEM

WE ask a prayerful remembrance of the souls of the following benefactors:

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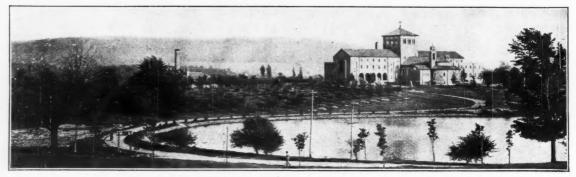
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The enclosed fifty dollars is sent in honor of the Sacred Heart, in thanks-giving for a very special favor received.—Cincinnati, Ohio.

I am enclosing five dollars, a thanksgiving to the Sacred Heart, Our Blessed Mother, and little Saint Teresa for a successful eye operation.—A Friend.

Johnny Blank's Second Year at the Venard

By Fr. Gerard A. Donovan, M.M.



OUR VENARD APOSTOLIC COLLEGE NESTLES IN A LOFTY BEAUTY SPOT AMONG THE PENNSYLVANIA HILLS

There was a thrill in Johnny's heart as he trod once more the winding road along the lake



N the train that Johnny took back to the Vénard there was a grand reunion, for there were nine old-timers and five newcomers aboard. The newcomers were all eyes and ears throughout the trip, admiring the matchless beauty of the

hill-country through which they were riding, and listening to the old-timers' tales of years gone by.

All the way up from the station, the main question in Johnny's mind was, "How far along is the new chapel?" When he topped the last hill, he was agreeably surprised to see the bright red tiles of the chapel roof standing out against the buff brick of the towering wall behind it. There was a thrill in his heart as he trod once more the winding road along the lake, for, in his one short year at the Vénard, he had learned to call this his home, his second home, that only made his other home more dear.

The First Day-

A brief visit in the chapel to thank our Lord for his safe return, and then he wandered about the building to see what the new section looked like. The chapel was not yet finished, but it gave promise of great beauty. The bright, sunlit corridor, lined with classrooms and study halls, was a revelation to him. When he saw all the blackboard space in the classrooms, he groaned and said, "I see where I have to take a trip up there every day, and show them what I don't know." On the second floor, he saw the faculty rooms and shining new library, and, on the third, the new dormitory that runs nearly the whole length of the new wing.

That evening, after supper, he met all his old friends, and about twenty-five new ones. It was a long job meeting them all, for there were one hundred and twelve students registered by the time the bell rang for night prayers. Though sorely tempted, Johnny played none of his tricks on the newcomers, for he remembered a lesson that he had learned the year before, that the best missioner is one who can refrain from doing that which he would most like to do. So he went to bed feeling like an angel, a tired angel, because of the long trip from home.

Looking Forward-

After the bell rang next morning, he rolled over for another forty winks, waiting for his mother's second call; but soon woke up with a start, when Father Prefect pulled the pillow from under his head. The day was spent in unpacking his trunk, and getting settled for the year.

That evening at night prayers, the three day retreat began, and Johnny learned once more the most important lessons in a missioner's life, lessons which he must continue to learn throughout his course, and for that matter, throughout his life. During the retreat, the kindly Bishop of Scranton came to give the boys a bit of advice, culled from his years of teaching students for the priesthood.

The Departure this year had a special interest for Johnny, because the priest who had first told him about the Vénard was among the nine leaving for the missions. Besides, one of the group had been a professor at the Vénard the year before, and deep in his heart Johnny hoped that, when his turn came, he would be sent to work with either of these two.

Johnny Progresses-

The day after school began, Father General came down from Maryknoll in New York, to see how Johnny and the other one hundred and eleven were getting along in their new quarters. He found all well and happy. Johnny told him the only thing that was bothering him was the amount of Latin, French, and so forth, that he had forgotten during the summer. After a few weeks, it all came back to him, and he was well started on his year's work.

Some of the newcomers were surprised to hear that they would be dropped from the College, unless they improved in their studies. They had the mistaken notion that all a mis-

sioner needs is good will and a sound body, along with a smattering of learning. Their ideas changed considerably when they were told that, if anything, the missioner must have more than average ability, because he is called upon to face more than average difficulties, with fewer helps than in this country. He has, for the most part, to stand on his own two feet, and the whole Catholic Church is judged by his attainments. Naturally enough, at that, for he is often the sole representative of the Church in his district.

Johnny was not worrying about being dropped, for his marks were fair, but he was not the one to be satisfied with just getting by. He wanted to make the most of the talents God had given him. That is why his second year's report showed a steady rise from fair to very good.

He had a chance to see how much Latin he knew, when, at the close of September, Archbishop Fumasoni-Biondi, the Apostolic Delegate to the United States, visited the College, and gave a talk in Latin to the boys. The Archbishop had once been delegate to Japan, and so has a keen interest in the missions, and a sound knowledge of the requirements for a good missioner.

High Lights-

At the close of Indian summer, Johnny laid away his baseball outfit, and took his basketball suit out of the moth balls. The boys made up about a dozen teams, according to size, and then went at it, hammer and tongs, throughout the winter months. On Wednesday afternoons, and Saturday evenings, neighboring teams came to try their mettle, and, more often than not, found our team just a little bit better than theirs. The hardy, regular life we lead here counts for much in a game like basketball, as well as in the game of life. Of course, we did not always win, such things happen only in story books; but any team that defeated our varsity went away well satisfied that they had played a game of basketball.

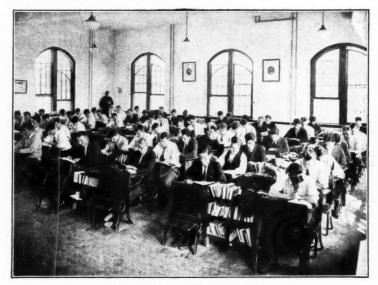
By Hallowe'en everybody was ready for a bit of relaxation, and the evening around the bonfire brought out several budding Amoses and Andys. Johnny will carry the memory of nights like that through all his mission years, to cheer him when days seem blue.



THE CHAPEL IN OUR PENNSYLVANIA COLLEGE IS A MEMORIAL TO A LOVED FRIEND OF OUR WORK, THE LATE BISHOP HOBAN OF SCRANTON

November twenty-first is the birthday of Théophane Vénard, our martyr patron, as well as the feast of the Presentation. Since last year was the one hundredth anniversay of his birth, we held a special celebration in his honor; and in the evening the boys had an entertainment, with Johnny playing second fiddle in the orchestra.

Johnny's skates came from home in plenty of time for him to take advantage of the first strong ice on the lake. He never knew that water got so hard when it froze, nor could he understand why his feet were so anxious to trade places with his head, the minute he stepped on the ice.



ONE OF THE NEW CLASSROOMS

When Johnny saw all the blackboard space in the new classrooms, and thought of all he did not know, he could not suppress a groan

Manual Labor-

Perhaps you know that all our boys here do an hour's work every day, to teach them how to use their hands. At first glance, it might seem impossible to find work for so many every day, but a trip through the building or about the grounds during the manual labor hour will show that there is plenty for all to do. Johnny had worked as a painter's helper during the summer, so we gave him a brush and a can of paint, and set him to work with the painter who was brightening up our kitchen.

He also helped to paint the benches, when we moved into our new chapel, just two days before Christmas. This chapel, designed as a Memorial to the late Bishop Hoban, is the gem of the College, and we feel sure that all who knew and loved the saintly Bishop will be glad to contribute to such a beautiful and practical monument. Johnny could not find words to tell all that he felt during the first Midnight Mass in the new chapel, but he was glad that, at last, the Christ Child had a fitting dwelling place, where, during the last fifteen years, He has been satisfied with the best we could offer.

Mid-Year Examinations

Two weeks at home, and Johnny was back at his books, preparing for midyear examinations. Steady work during the year had robbed them of much of their terror for him, yet he knew that professors have the uncanny habit of asking just the things a fellow does not know. Hence his eager preparation, and hence his creditable showing in that examination. During the midyear vacation, Johnny was a little more careful of his health than he had been the year before, and thus saved himself from another siege in the infirmarv. Thanks to the good God, we got through the long winter months without a single serious illness, and, as everyone knows, no one gets sick in the springtime here, barring, of course, an annual epidemic of spring fever.

A Simple Lesson-

The wakening hills are a joy the wide world over, but few can surpass the beauty of those about us here. All nature rejoiced with us at Eastertide, and sang our Lady's praises with us in her bright month of May.

The blessing of the fields, an age-old

Stringless gifts are the most welcome at Maryknoll. They leave us free to apply the help where the need is greatest.

custom in the Church, taught Johnny that the seed must go into the ground and die, before it brings forth fruit. A simple lesson, but all-important in the life of a missioner, who must often plant the seed of Faith in seemingly barren soil, must patiently care for it through many a hard year, and then perhaps go to his death, leaving the harvest to those who come after him.

A Glorious Surprise-

June, the month of the Sacred Heart, had a surprise in store for Johnny. Visitors' Day, June seventeenth, he knew was an annual affair; but he did not expect to see two Departure Days in one year. This year he did, because the missioners, who sailed for the Orient in midsummer, could not leave without saving good-bye to their younger brothers at the Vénard, and to their many Scranton friends.

All the young missioners were former Vénarders; and one, Father Dietz, who was returning to China after his first furlough in ten years, had been a

professor here for the first three years of our existence at Clarks Summit. Of course, Johnny had not known him then, but he was told that Father Dietz looked as young and as happy on that day of his second Departure as he did when first he left us, back in 1920. No wonder he was happy, for he was going back "home", back to the people he had learned to love.

Baseball and Long Trousers-

A few days later, Johnny himself went home, and left the Vénard to the priests of Maryknoll for their annual retreat, and to the youngsters who came to camp with us for the summer

On his way home, he stopped at Maryknoll in New York long enough to see the Vénard Varsity baseball team give their elder brothers a lesson in the great American pastime. As run after run came in, Johnny cheered with an unholy glee that found its echo in the hearts of his professors here, when the news came down to us.

We miss them, now that they are away-Johnny and all the rest-but they will come back; and this time, we think, Johnny will be wearing his first long trousers.



FR. POWERS, M.M., DIRECTOR OF THE VENARD, AND SOME OF HIS BASEBALL CHAMPIONS

The hardy, regular life at the Vénard counts for much in a game like baseball, as well as in the game of life



THE MARYKNOLL JUNIOR LEAGUE



DEAR JUNIORS:

Well! School again! Faces tanned, eyes bright, and spirits ready for fun and work — especially that graduating class! When June ends this school year, I hope some of you will have decided to be missioners.

How about the Junior League's making 1930-31 a Mission Year? There's that New Juniors Contest with still a month to go; and so many, many Chinese babies with souls to be ransomed; and missioners to be written to; and let's not forget Maryknoll Mission Plays to help spread a love for the missions nor the 1930 band of missioners, — priests, Brothers and Sisters, — who are now on the way to the Field Afar.

Who will be the first for the Maryknoll Banner this term?

Yours in the Missions,

Father Chin

PRIZE CONTESTS

"Johnny!"

"Yes, Father Chin?"

"Clear that long table and get some wire trays ready. And tell the post-office to clear a corner for our mail."

"But, Father, what's it all for?"
"Don't you know? Johnny, I'm
surprised! I am expecting a carload of lists of new Juniors from
all over the country and some of
them will be long ones. Please remind me to get the prizes, too.
Now, then! Let's hop to it!"

"Fine, Father, but while I'm hopping, how about telling the Juniors about the Ransom Posters and the story booklet that goes with it? Maybe there are some schools that don't know about them and would like to make a Mission Corner. Those posters would make a fine start for a corner."

"Right you are, John! If a class hasn't one, all the secretary has to do is to drop me a postal card and I will send them both, pronto. Anything else on your mind Johnny?"

"Yes, Father. Those dandy new Activity Blanks. We've mailed them to all our list, but I have a few under lock and key for anyone who writes in at once."

"All right! we'll tell them that they can send for those, too, and we'll shoot them right into the mail. They are the finest ever for keeping track of mission doings. And how about offering a prize for the finest record? We'll do that, and for the best mission corner, too."

PUZZLE ANSWERS

WORD FINDING

So many words that can be made from "Maryknoll!" Someone found 173!

HIDDEN COUNTRY

Chine (French spelling)
GEOGRAPHIC ARITHMETIC

- 1. Manchester
- 2. Mississippi
- 3. Washington
- 4. Philippine Islands

JUMBLED LETTERS
Mission Letters

DID YOU EVER GO TO MARKET FOR A BABY?



EVERY DAY IS MARKET-DAY FOR MARYKNOLL MISSIONERS!

It has been market-day in all these places and a great many more; there is not room here to tell about them all.

A Junior from St. Clara Academy, Sinsinawa, Wisc.; St. Aemilian's of St. Francis, Wisc.; St. Patrick's School, Hartford, Conn.; and Irene B. Hesselschwerdt of Jamaica Plain, Mass., sent five dollars each; the Catholic Girls' High School, West Philadelphia, Pa., wrote, "We cannot find a more fitting manner in which to honor Our Blessed Mother than by giving her a soul." The first five grades of St. Patrick's School, Portsmouth, N. H.; St. Margaret's School, Grades VII and VIII, St. Louis, Mo., and the Junior Unit, St. Mary's Academy, Paducah, Ky., each ransomed three babies. St. Mary's sent in \$16.33; now, there is nearly onethird of a fourth baby! Who will send in the other two-thirds? St. Margaret's girls say, "We have also aided the missions spiritually. The girls of our grades heard 214 Masses and received 213 Holy Communions for the missions at home and afar.'

The Junior Aloysians, Academy of the Sacred Heart, New York City, bought a May-blossom that did not come out of a Madison Avenue florist's shop. With the money saved by sacrifices, they bought a Chinese baby.

Maryknoll Juniors in Action -



Left-Wide-awake! Of course! Their school, St. Matthias' of Bala, Pa., won the Banner which they are proudly displaying to you

Right—One of the fiercest, in "The Dragon Conquered"



Benjamin Jacobowski, Captain of St. John's Juniors

Left—A very up-and-coming group from St. John's School, Paterson, N. J., was snapped on the lawn in front of Maryknoll Seminary





John Wilson-no, not of China, but of Pittsfield, Mass.



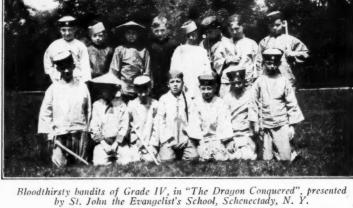
This array of smiles belongs to St. Rose's Sodality of St. Michael's Church, Brooklyn. Maryknoll's compound welcomed them on the same day with St. Gerard's that beams on you from the opposite page

STUDY THE MISSIONS

Work and Play for the Missions



Pak-Lam-Fa, in "The Feast of the Moon" one of the Mary-knoll plays





Right-The Circle Tree welcomed with widespread arms this delegation from St. Francis Xavier's Academy, Brook-lyn, N. Y.

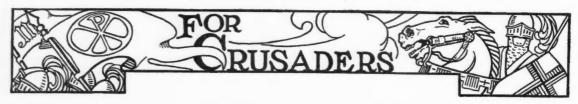


They grow smiles like this at St. Gerard's, Hollis, L. I. And they still had them after a three-hour bus ride to Maryknoll



A Maryknoll Banner Classroom. Will yours be the next one to win one?

PRAY FOR THE MISSIONS



"Man am I grown, a man's work must I do.

Follow the deer? follow Christ the King.

Live pure, speak true, right wrong, follow the King-Else wherefore am I born?"

Idylls of the King.

The clang of the school-bell, or the sustained trill of the more modern electric buzzer, pressed by an unseen hand bright and early on any morning in mid-September, rouses the Student Mission Crusader to action more surely than does the midnight din of any December thirty-first; for we are prone to measure our lives by our actions. The opening of school, therefore, marks the beginning of a new year for the Crusader who tolls off his life from "when I was in Eighth Grade", to "the funny thing that happened when I was in Second Year High", or to "that pleasant experience I had when I was a Freshman in College"-just as spring marks the beginning of a new year for the farmer who reckons time from "the night of the Big Wind" and "the year when the potato crop failed"—or as "the year after we were founded", or "two years after we sent out our first Mission Band", determine the epochs for a missionary society

Thousands of Crusaders are this month plunging full-armored into the untested field of 1930-31. Shining through lifted visors is the pure light of high endeavor, for singing in every heart is Gar-eth's ambition to "follow Christ the King. Live pure, speak true, right wrong, follow the King-Else wherefore am I born?"

If every true Crusader (and all Crusaders are true) will "obey his conscience as his King, and his King as his conscience", the promptings of the Holy Spirit will be heeded and His holy whisperings will take material form in

word and work-and ransomed pagan babies and tutored heathen hearts shall bear testimony of the "utter hardihood and utter gentleness, And, loving, utter faithfulness in love, And uttermost obedience to the King," in those who, serving Him, wear blazoned on their shield the mystic symbols "C.S.M.C."



Thousands of women have heeded the Voice and are helping to conquer souls for Christ. Are you in sympathy with them? Do you pray for them while they are on the battle-line?

THE STRENGTH OF UNION

Is any praise more gratifying, any commendation more effortcompelling than the subtle recognition of one's peers?

Every time we receive a rich spiritual offering from the clean souls of seminarians and miteboxes packed full with the small coins from their slender purses, we breathe a fervent "Laus Deo!" while our souls are stirred to increased labors, our courage is renewed, and our burden is lightened.

One such bouquet brought us the rich cullings of an entire Lent from the "Seminaire de Philosophie" of Montreal. Consider the favors we shall receive from intentions in 732 Masses and 569 Communions-from 410 mortifications and 122 sufferings!

From old St. Mary's, which has become new St. Mary's, on Paca Street in Baltimore, and which, in its less handsome but no less bebeloved guise, was the Alma Mater of some of our veterans on the mission field, came a generous check for fifty dollars, the contents of mite-boxes.

Our scythes are sharpened and our reapers are ready for the gathering of this year's white harvest, and we rejoice at the strength supplied our arms by our brethren in Christ: To them that love God all things work together for good!

WOULD YOU LIKE A CLOSE-UP OF US?

If your Crusade Unit or your class were among the favored young people who graced our hilltop while picnicking on it this summer, we know that you would happily renew the experience on one of these perfect fall days. If not, we cordially invite you to come out and learn the delights of an autumn day in the country, where there are wide fields to run and play, woods to stroll in, and just the suggestion of a nip in the air to fill you with vigor-and where Mother Nature's colorful dress makes you dimly conscious of the Beauty of God.

A letter to the School Department will give you all the necessary details of how, and when, and where.

"O just and faithful knight of Ride on! the prize is near."

Circles

[A Maryknoll Mission Circle is a group of persons, young or old, who aim to cultivate in themselves and others a knowledge of Catholic foreign missions, to pray for the mission cause, and to help provide for the special needs of Maryknoll, at home and in the mission field. Circles formed in a parish are urged to secure the approval of their pastors and are requested to send their offerings through the diocesan mission office where such exists.]

Address:

Circle Director, Maryknoll, N. Y.

THE members of the Saint Frances Xavier Circle, of Philadelphia, Pa., have been constantly faithful in their offerings for the support of a Maryknoll Brother in China. This co-operation has been a much appreciated encouragement, both to the Brother in whom they are interested, and to the Maryknoll Center, which must somehow provide for the sustenance of one hundred missioners in the Orient.

Maryknoll finds that a dollar a day is required for the support of each of its one hundred missioners in fields afar.

This represents a very considerable sum in the course of a year, and yet is only one of the many burdens which our young Society must shoulder. We are confident that God will inspire in apostolic hearts the desire to aid us in this vital necessity of our work for souls.

The Maryknoll Circle, of Ithaca, N. Y., has recently contributed two hundred dollars for the support of our Father Cleary's Korean catechists. No more welcome help could come to Father Cleary from his "home town". (Circles in the "home towns" of other missioners, please note!)

The Saint Francis Xavier Circle, of Philadelphia, Pa., also recalled that the native catechist is the missioner's right hand man, and provided the yearly salary of one of these invaluable workers.

The catechist need is a constant and urgent one in Maryknoll Missions of the Orient. The monthly salary of a native catechist in the China mission fields is fifteen dollars. In Korea, where living expenses are higher, a minimum monthly wage of twenty dollars is required.

When your "family" numbers over eight hundred, it takes a good many dish towels to supply their needs. If the Maryknoll family has had enough of these necessary articles, it has been largely due to the members of the Stella Maryknoll Circle, of New York City, who, for the past six months, have supplied us with a generous quantity of dish towels.



HOW CIRCLES ARE FORMED IN CHINALAND

Stamps and tinfoil are always gladly received at Maryknoll, but the "shower" of them which the Mary Carroll Guild, of New York City, forwarded recently was exceptionally fine. We are also grateful to these friends for altar linens.

Altar linens, albs, and surplices are among the more pressing wants of Maryknolls in the Orient and the homeland.

The Friendly Helpers, of New York City, came by bus to our Knoll some weeks ago, and, before returning to their metropolis home, they pressed into the Circle Director's hand two hundred dollars, a part of the five hundred

OUR Sisters in St. Paul's Hospital, Manila, are anxious to secure an altar bread oven.

Would YOUR Circle like to supply one of these for the Hospital? Even a small donation toward this urgent need would be a much appreciated help to our Sisters, who are winning souls to Christ while they tend the sick of many nations at Saint Paul's in the Philippines.

IMPORTANT

If your Circle is planning a bus ride to the Knoll, we would ask you to kindly write for reservations to:

The Circle Director,

Maryknoll, N. Y.

which they have undertaken to contribute for a Memorial Room in the Sisters' Mother-House.

The greatest benefactors of our American Foreign Mission Sisterhood are those whom God inspires to aid them in the building of their Mother-House. Without this Mother-House, the Maryknoll Sisterhood cannot continue to grow and develop.

A card party recently organized by the Father McShane Circle, of Richmond, Me., brought gratifying returns, and provided a welcome stringless gift for Monsignor Morris, the Prefect Apostolic of Maryknoll-in-Korea.

In a work such as Maryknoll, a thousand and one unforeseen needs are constantly cropping up in various quarters of the globe. It is the stringless gift which is applied to such emergencies; without it countless opportunities for saving souls would be lost.

Cheerograms

WE have been interested in Mary-knoll for over ten years. Each month, we look forward to the arrival of your wonderful mission magazine, The Field Afar.—Wash.

I enjoy THE FIELD AFAR more than any other magazine to which I subscribe.

May God bless you and your work. I never forget to say The Our Father and three Hail Marys at the end of my Rosary, for the missions in China.—

Mass.

THE FIELD AFAR is a splendid magazine. Every detail has my attention.—

Borneo.

Far be it from me to allow our FIELD AFAR subscription to expire. It has an exceptional and quaint charm.—N. Y.

Gifts and Our Gratitude



He owes his happiness in a Maryknoll Preparatory College, under God, to the many benefactors of this work for souls

BEFORE us lies a list of gifts received during the past month, and, as we note the offerings from various sections of the United States, we breathe a prayer of gratitude to the Master Who has kept generous hearts mindful of the needs of His missioners, though times are hard.

sioners, though times are hard.
We have said our "thank you"
to these our apostolic partners, but
it will not be too late to add here
another word of gratitude.

Where would Maryknoll be without the "stringless gift"? The constantly increasing needs of this work for souls are so many and varied that we would weary our friends if we attempted to enumerate them. So we must depend on the far-sighted generosity of friends who realize that only the central direction of a great organization is able to appreciate where the need is most urgent.

The stringless gifts of last month running into four and three figures came from Boston, Mass.; Chicago, Ill.; Brooklyn, N. Y.; Amesbury, Mass.; Newton, Mass.; Newark, N. J.; Shumway, Ill.; Scranton, Pa.; Hollywood, Calif.; and New York City.

A Burse—for the benefit of the uninitiated—is a sum of money (five or six thousand dollars) which, invested, draws enough interest to provide for the board, lodging, and education of an aspirant apostle.

Every student beneficiary is instructed to pray for his benefactors, and, as the years go on and student after student is prepared for the missions, these prayers will be a chain, the links of which will continue down through the centuries.

Notable additions to our Burses were forwarded recently from Cleveland, O.; Detroit, Mich.; Brooklyn, N. Y.; New York City; Kewanee, Ill.; and Washington, D. C.

A new Burse, that in memory of Father Chapon, was added to our "completed" list. We are confident that no memorial could be more pleasing to the soul of this beloved priest than a Burse in a school of apostles.

Annuities still appeal strongly. The interest on such gifts comes, like a present to the donor, regularly; and, at the same time, the principal proves helpful to our work.

Annuities of considerable amount came last month from Brooklyn, N. Y.; Phiiadelphia, Pa.; Los Angeles, Calif.; and West Branch, Iowa.

Among benefactors of our Seminary and Preparatory Colleges in the homeland were the Boston Archdiocese, which is sponsoring a classroom in our Major Seminary; friends in Bryn Mawr, Pa., and Newton, Mass., who sent offerings for Student Memorial Rooms; and another in Mamaroneck, N. Y., who aided us by a donation toward the support of a student.

There are several kinds of Maryknoll Perpetual Memberships: one for a living individual to whom are applied all available spiritual benefits, and who is entitled to a Field Afar subscription covering practically a life-time; one for a group of living persons, such as members of a family, one for an individual departed soul; finally, one for a group of deceased.

The Field Afar is the Dollar-a-Year Mission Magazine.

A much appreciated gift came from a priest in Scranton, Pa., toward the cost of the Bishop Hoban Memorial Chapel at our Preparatory College in Clarks Summit, Pa.

Mission friends from many cities and towns, yes, and from a number of villages, too, sent offerings for the travel expenses of our latest band of missioners. We are confident that the generous hearts who have responded so readily to the need of getting these young Christbearers across the Pacific will be just as eager to aid us in keeping them there. And, just here, may we slip in a reminder that it requires a dollar a day, or three hundred and sixtyfive dollars a year to maintain each of our one hundred apostles in life and activity?

Among the larger gifts received for Departure expenses were those from New York City; Castine, Me.; Jersey City, N. J.; Brockton, Mass.; Waco, Tex.; Bayonne, N. J.; and St. Louis, Mo.

Notable mission gifts came from Albany, N. Y.; Los Angeles, Calif.; Washington, D. C.; and Canton, Ohio.

Missioner support was received from friends in Philadelphia, Pa., and New York City, while benefactors in Philadelphia, Pa., and Ithaca, N. Y., sent offerings for the support of native catechists.

A priest friend in Peoria, Ill., provided the yearly expenses of a Chinese aspirant to the priesthood in one of our Mission seminaries.

Three wills matured in our favor last month, and we were named as beneficiaries in five others.

May the thought of these deceased benefactors for Maryknoll secure for their souls speedy entrance to the Beatific Vision.

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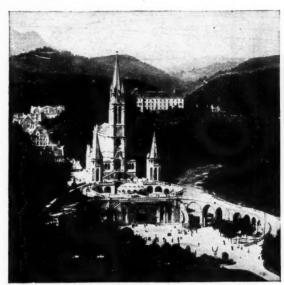
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ANY worldly opportunities lay before these American boys, but God touched their young souls with the fire of the apostolate, and they gladly sacrificed all to become foreign missioners. There are over one hundred and fifty aspirant apostles in the three

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Most of these youths are at The Venard, in Clarks Summit, Pa., the oldest of our three Colleges. In order that we might not have to refuse boys called to serve Christ in fields afar, we have been obliged to complete our Venard building.

At the present time, the Venard College is burdened with a large debt. Should the love of Christ and souls urge you to aid Maryknoll in its great work of training American youths for the foreign mission apostolate, here are some suggestions:

Cubicle for a student\$	300	Kitchen	\$ 6,000
Room for a brother	500	Study Hall-Junior	6,000
Room for a priest	800	Study Hall-Senior	8,000
Infirmary 2	2,000	Library	10,000
Class-room 4	,000	Gymnasium	10,000
Science Laboratory 6	,000	Refectory	10,000

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